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BUILDING APPROVALS

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

SEPTEMBER 1961

1. Statistics of building approvals have been compiled from (a) particulars listed on returns from local government authorities of permits issued to private persons and bodies for building in areas subject to building control, (b) particulars, furnished on the same returns, of building known to be projected or to have been started in areas beyond such building control but within the general jurisdiction of such authorities, and (c) details of contracts let or expenditure authorized by governmental and semi-governmental authorities shown on returns furnished by these authorities. See also Note (e), Table 5.
2. The statistics relate only to buildings as distinct from the construction of roads, bridges, railways, earth works, water storage, etc.
3. Values shown represent the estimated cost when completed (excluding cost of land) of new buildings and of additions and alterations to existing buildings. Additions of £5,000 and over to existing buildings (other than houses) are regarded as "new" buildings and are included in the figures shown in Table 2.
4. Building is classified as "private" or "Government" according to ownership, e.g. the majority of homes built by Government housing authorities are classified as "Government" even though some are intended to be sold on completion.
5. For purposes of comparison it should be borne in mind that the volume of building approvals is affected from month to month by the incidence of large projects such as blocks of flats, hospitals, multi-storey office buildings, etc., and also by the administrative arrangements of local government and semi-governmental authorities.
6. During the three months July to September, 1961, the number of dwellings approved for private owners totalled 1,714, an increase of 330 over the figure of 1,384 for the three months April to June, 1961, but 306 less than the 2,020 approved during July to September of the previous year. Value of other new buildings (Private and Government combined) approved during July, August, and September, this year was £5,210,000, which was £2,623,000 lower than for the previous three months and £1,219,000 higher than for the corresponding period in 1960. Value of all buildings approved during the three months July - September 1961 was £14,527,000, a decrease of £1,629,000 from the figure for the previous three months and £21,000 less than for July to September, 1960. Compared with August 1961 there was a considerable increase in both number and value of new dwellings approved, decreases in the metropolitan area being far out-weighted by substantial increases in "country" districts. In recent months increases in the number of approvals for "private" dwellings in "country" areas have been mainly due to greater activity in near-metropolitan areas, e.g. Salisbury and Tea Tree Gully. The increase in value of new dwellings approved during August was matched by decrease in the value of approvals for "other new buildings", almost wholly for Government building in the metropolitan area.
7. The following tables show further details of building approvals for September 1961 compared with details for earlier months.

POPULATION, VITAL STATISTICS AND STATISTICS

TABLE 1

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TABLE 1 - NEW DWELLINGS APPROVED : NUMBER AND VALUE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Month	Metropolitan Area				Whole State			
	Number (a)			Total Value (£'000)	Number (a)			Total Value (£'000)
	Private	Govt.	Total		Private	Govt.	Total	
1959 - August	395	-	395	1,367	529	258	787	2,557
September	382	-	382	1,373	519	172	691	2,196
October	412	456	868	2,617	612	531	1,143	3,443
November	484	50	534	1,748	643	182	825	2,644
December	307	-	307	1,071	430	23	453	1,532
1960 - January	379	96	475	1,524	483	108	591	1,913
February	457	450	907	2,760	666	499	1,165	3,580
March	515	8	523	1,797	684	243	927	2,987
April	395	-	395	1,369	578	28	606	2,055
May	428	5	433	1,441	668	128	796	2,651
June	458	40	498	1,822	629	133	762	2,605
July	416	504	920	2,505	571	549	1,120	3,126
August	437	-	437	1,631	653	187	840	2,800
September	462	122	584	1,811	796	141	937	2,921
October	392	50	442	1,672	598	1,322	1,920	4,996
November	464	-	464	1,713	670	491	1,161	3,422
December	191	323	514	1,369	318	444	762	2,057
1961 - January	278	100	378	1,160	383	244	627	1,848
February	249	-	249	942	407	55	462	1,594
March	213	53	266	919	360	311	671	2,102
April	219	-	219	825	363	28	391	1,399
May	289	-	289	1,038	442	24	466	1,600
June	342	720	1,062	2,946	579	766	1,345	3,907
July	313	5	318	1,052	544	59	603	1,951
August	332	-	332	1,211	589	21	610	2,084
September	250	-	250	911	581	520	1,101	3,676

(a) Individual dwelling units - houses and flats combined.

TABLE 2 - OTHER NEW BUILDINGS APPROVED : VALUE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Month	Metropolitan Area			Whole State		
	Private	Government	Total	Private	Government	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1959 - August	289	28	317	602	68	670
September	808	291	1,099	943	679	1,622
October	837	1,708	2,545	1,083	2,330	3,413
November	678	22	700	800	183	983
December	591	115	706	765	416	1,181
1960 - January	1,267	45	1,312	1,345	367	1,712
February	272	18	290	424	43	467
March	424	87	511	592	130	722
April	748	240	988	1,095	286	1,381
May	857	38	895	1,005	168	1,173
June	541	551	1,092	934	987	1,921
July	602	80	682	805	123	929
August	760	115	875	932	505	1,437
September	683	37	720	1,110	515	1,625
October	850	438	1,288	983	760	1,743
November	4,198	1,452	5,650	4,640	1,951	6,591
December	393	77	470	528	91	619
1961 - January	271	155	426	372	284	656
February	773	2,425	3,198	1,421	3,133	4,554
March	532	2,092	2,624	743	2,206	2,949
April	285	192	477	356	355	711
May	1,673	703	2,376	2,381	1,184	3,565
June	1,971	816	2,787	2,221	1,336	3,557
July	197	300	497	274	872	1,146
August	564	1,621	2,185	690	2,081	2,771
September	635	290	925	751	542	1,293

TABLE 3 - ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS APPROVED : VALUE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Month	Metropolitan Area			Whole State		
	Private	Government	Total	Private	Government	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1959 - August	313	50	363	458	63	521
September	380	84	464	495	114	609
October	328	16	344	467	41	508
November	346	10	356	484	18	502
December	230	11	241	359	20	379
1960 - January	331	9	340	451	19	470
February	366	9	375	478	22	500
March	436	54	490	572	61	633
April	327	35	362	505	44	549
May	401	13	414	532	20	552
June	442	13	455	594	94	688
July	330	38	368	466	60	526
August	325	4	329	462	24	486
September	469	14	483	637	61	698
October	386	11	397	548	25	573
November	420	32	452	572	47	619
December	250	14	264	347	38	385
1961 - January	302	34	336	417	53	470
February	298	12	310	398	24	422
March	370	2	372	477	39	516
April	230	3	233	330	30	360
May	323	2	325	445	34	479
June	332	50	382	493	85	578
July	293	15	308	423	39	462
August	388	15	403	507	29	536
September	389	16	405	581	27	608

TABLE 4 - ALL BUILDING APPROVED : VALUE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Month	Metropolitan Area			Whole State		
	Private	Government	Total	Private	Government	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1959 - August	1,969	78	2,047	2,864	884	3,748
September	2,561	375	2,936	3,226	1,201	4,427
October	2,576	2,930	5,506	3,583	3,781	7,364
November	2,657	147	2,804	3,435	695	4,129
December	1,891	127	2,018	2,583	509	3,092
1960 - January	2,898	278	3,176	3,448	644	4,092
February	2,240	1,185	3,425	3,179	1,368	4,547
March	2,641	157	2,798	3,485	857	4,342
April	2,444	275	2,719	3,573	412	3,985
May	2,689	61	2,750	3,737	639	4,376
June	2,727	642	3,369	3,826	1,388	5,214
July	2,464	1,091	3,555	3,309	1,271	4,581
August	2,716	119	2,835	3,737	987	4,723
September	2,804	210	3,014	4,455	789	5,244
October	2,778	579	3,357	3,749	3,563	7,312
November	6,331	1,484	7,815	7,592	3,040	10,632
December	1,404	699	2,103	2,039	1,022	3,061
1961 - January	1,538	384	1,922	2,082	892	2,974
February	2,013	2,437	4,450	3,264	3,306	6,570
March	1,710	2,205	3,915	2,535	3,032	5,567
April	1,340	195	1,535	1,992	478	2,470
May	3,034	705	3,739	4,356	1,288	5,644
June	3,533	2,582	6,115	4,766	3,276	8,042
July	1,522	335	1,857	2,472	1,087	3,559
August	2,163	1,636	3,799	3,223	2,168	5,391
September	1,935	306	2,241	3,347	2,230	5,577

TABLE 5 - DWELLINGS APPROVED : TYPE, METROPOLITAN AREA, ADELAIDE

Month	Flats (a)			Maisonettes & Attached Cottages		Houses (b)					
	Separate Buildings	Dwelling Units	Value	Dwelling Units	Value	Brick & Stone (c)		Fibro-Cement		Other (d)	
	Number	Number	£'000	Number	£'000	Number	£'000	Number	£'000	Number	£'000
1959 - August	7	42	88	35	74	332	1,245	74	167	1	3
September	11	44	99	27	37	315	1,219	14	36	-	-
October	8	28	62	47	100	345	1,250	44	109	-	-
November	7	33	81	88	166	526	1,814	66	153	2	7
December	7	46	93	14	34	238	918	9	26	-	-
1960 - January	11	78	174	57	82	279	1,065	13	42	-	-
February	9	58	128	4	12	482	1,757	18	43	-	-
March	17	152	328	64	111	417	1,572	35	85	1	3
April	12	70	151	17	36	339	1,263	51	119	-	-
May	11	77	145	70	149	334	1,239	23	56	-	-
June	10	127	420	124	242	326	1,314	13	32	-	-
July	11	57	164	2	2	399	1,496	11	29	-	-
August	11	44	101	102	193	418	1,572	11	28	-	-
September	15	71	162	70	103	379	1,462	12	28	-	-
October	9	34	125	36	95	375	1,435	9	32	-	-
November	11	62	151	24	49	418	1,563	63	149	-	-
December	4	24	70	82	209	169	700	7	15	-	-
1961 - January	9	47	113	150	285	474	1,670	11	32	1	4
February	2	8	24	117	262	378	1,173	7	17	-	-
March	3	8	17	96	210	191	774	10	25	-	-
April	8	31	67	32	76	187	757	8	20	-	-
May	10	41	98	90	208	213	861	11	30	-	-
June	18	62	141	254	575	257	1,042	4	12	-	-
July (e)	17	68	113	10	25	233	896	7	18	-	-
August	11	46	122	-	-	282	1,078	4	11	-	-
September	12	41	93	-	-	202	797	7	21	-	-

(a) Includes "Home Units". (b) According to material of outer walls. (c) Includes also Brick Veneer, Concrete, and Composite.

(d) Mainly weatherboard. (e) Prior to July 1961 the information shown in this table was compiled solely from returns from Local Government bodies and included permits granted for the construction of houses etc. for Governmental Housing authorities. From July 1961 compilation has been as indicated in paragraph 1 on page 1 of this bulletin.

